

**STILLWATER COUNTY
COMMISSIONER MINUTES**

<p>Notice: These minutes reflect the proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners. The official minutes are on file with the Clerk and Recorder MCA 7-4-2611(2)(b).</p>
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**REGULAR MEETING
April 6, 2021
6:30 p.m. Rapelje Community Roundtable**

PRESENT Commissioner Mark Crago, Chair, Commissioner Tyrel Hamilton and Steve Riveland, members; Shannon Fisher Admin Assistant.

Others Present: Kevin Ray, Road & Bridge; Stephanie Ray, Economic Development; Mark Schreiner, Road & Bridge; Dana Weatherford, Weed District; Citizens: David Hixson, Blake Erfle, Arleene Weppler, Terry Zindler, Gary Broyles, Peggy Herzog, Don Herzog, Karlee Popp, Cynthia Erfle, Michael Erfle, Barry Troyer, Christina Pierce, Mike Swartz, Kaley Swartz.

PLEDGE Commissioner Crago opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES March 16 & 23, 2021. Commissioner Hamilton **MOVED** to approve the minutes as presented. Commissioner Riveland **SECONDED**. No discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

CLAIMS 106869 through 106949 in the amount of \$152,197.40. Commissioner Riveland **MOVED** to approve claim 106869 through 106949 in the amount of \$152,197.40. Commissioner Hamilton **SECONDED**. No discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENT Dana Weatherford announced that she is trying to fill an open position on the weed board. There are currently four positions on the weed board representing other portions of the county. In December, the board member from the Reed Point area resigned due to unforeseen circumstances. If anyone knows anyone from the area that may be interested in the position please have them contact her after the meeting or give her a call. Commissioner Crago reminded everyone about the drone demo for the Rapelje School on April 19, 2021 that is open to the public starting at 10:00 a.m. If you would like to attend and stay for lunch, please RSVP the school.

FILE **Justice Court**
A) Report for the month of March in the amount of \$13,806.50.

Clerk & Recorder
A) Report for the month of March in the amount of \$10,928.43.

Commissioner Hamilton **MOVED** to file the file items. Commissioner Riveland **SECONDED**. No discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

REGULAR BUSINESS **Commission**
A) One appointment to the Park City Fire Board for an unexpired term ending May of 2023. Commissioner Riveland **MOVED** to approve the one appointment to the Park City Fire Board for an unexpired term ending May of 2023 and appoint Ty Heppner. Commissioner Hamilton **SECONDED**. No discussion. Motion passed unanimously.

Planning

A) RFQ for EDA projects West Rosebud & Fiddler Creek Bid Openings. Commissioner Crago explained that there were two RFQ's. They will be reviewed and interviews will be conducted to select a firm. The first RFQ was from Stahley Engineering from Billings, MT, containing a digital copy and six packets. The second RFQ was from Jackola Engineering & Architecture from Bozeman, MT, containing a digital copy and six packets. Commissioner Hamilton **MOVED** to accept for consideration the RFQ's for the EDA projects. Commissioner Riveland **SECONDED**. Discussion – Commissioner Crago explained that two years ago in the West Rosebud and Fiddler Creek area there was a tremendous amount of run off causing super saturation of the ground which caused slide areas on the roads that need to be repaired. Motion passed unanimously.

B) Stillwater County Community Grant. Stephanie Ray explained that Commissioner Hamilton, Commissioner Riveland and herself have been working together to develop a community grant program that will be available to Stillwater County community nonprofit organizations. This grant will be \$5000.00 on an annual basis on a first come, first serve basis, based on applications and project concepts. This will be a project that will be community oriented and is something everyone will have access to. Stephanie further stated that they are trying to keep the grant application simple but at the same time keeping the focus on this being a community-oriented project for nonprofit organizations. Rapelje is the first community that has been introduced to the project. This is a way to get in touch with each of the communities and try to put money back into the communities. Stephanie thanked the Commissioners for working with her on this project. Commissioner Crago stated that this project originated with the Welcome Rock project which was roughly \$40,000.00 which was spread throughout the eight communities. The Commissioners discussed the project and felt it could be adjusted in some way because not every community wanted a rock. Commissioner Hamilton brought up the idea of potentially doing community development grants. The welcome rock project funds could be used by the communities for a project, picked by that community, that would benefit each community as opposed to the Commission deciding what that project would be. No motions made or action taken on this item.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON COUNTY BUSINESS – None heard.

With no further comments heard the meeting was adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

APPROVED BY: /s/ Mark Crago, Commissioner Chairman

ATTEST: Heidi L. Stadel, Clerk and Recorder